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In re Application of:

Johal et al

Application No. 10/089,496

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For: ROOT RETARDANT

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated July 2, 2003, Applicants elect Group III without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

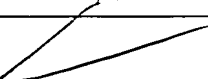
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